



BLESSED ASSURANCE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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CHRISTMAS 1978

Dear Friends:

We would like to extend our sincere and loving greetings at this special time of year.

We are getting ready to celebrate our third Christmas season in our home on the Jersey Shore. 1978 was a busy, eventful, and memorable year for both Leo and I.

The final touches were put on Ten Deal Lake Court this summer when we had the basement transformed into a lovely kitchen to complement the adjoining den. Also, an old storage room is now a carpeted laundry room.

Also, during the summer, Jim got the knack of driving, and we motored through New York State to visit relatives. Then, we went on to Canada and toured: Toronto and the Canadian National Exhibit, Kingston and the Thousand Islands, and Ottawa. We traveled seventeen hundred miles in all.

1978 was the year that Blessed Assurance Community Church was created. The congregation of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches in Asbury Park decided to form an independent outreach to the gay people on the Jersey Shore. This decision was made after several decisions were made by the Fellowship indicating their lack of concern for the gay community in this area, and for the ministry of Reverend Jim Beers.

Leo and Jim send you wishes for a fulfilling and prosperous 1979.

In God's Love,

Jim *Leo*
Jim Beers & Leo Stoeckl

